

methods of the papal inquisition, where citizens were accused without knowing who were the accusers or the nature of the accusation.

The animus of the bill was brought out in the discussion before the Committee at the last Congress, when Representative Gallivan, of Massachusetts, who had introduced a similar bill, was unwittingly forced to admit that these bills were instigated for the purpose of closing the mails to the patriotic papers and religious press which have dared to expose the political aggressions of the Roman hierarchy.

The papal press throughout the land is urging its readers to flood their Representatives and Senators with letters, urging the passage of this bill, so as to create the impression that this legislation is demanded by the people. To counteract this, all patriotic Americans should write individual letters or sign petitions to their Congressmen, calling for the defeat of these bills as flagrant violations of the Constitution.

Another bill, even more infamous, has passed the committee stage and is now pending in Congress. This bill, introduced by Representatives Johnson of Kentucky, another Roman Catholic, and known as H. R. 8348, appears harmless and beneficent. It provides, however, that any child, including Protestants and Jews, may be dragged into secret session of the Juvenile Court of the District of Columbia, "without notice to the parent or guardian, and without process, complaint or judicial hearing," and then be committed "to any institution, association or corporation within or without the District of Columbia." This makes it lawful to send any Protestant child to the House of Good Shepherd, or other popish prison, while the government is to pay for the alleged maintenance of such child.

Section 10 of this bill "provides that any person, however truculent or irresponsible, may, without knowledge, but on mere information and belief, file in the Juvenile Court a petition charging any child, even though the petitioner does not know its name or address, with having improper or insufficient guardianship or control." The child can then be arrested and the case disposed of in private, the public being excluded. While provision is made for an appeal, yet the action of the juvenile court is undisturbed by the appeal, and the judge of this court expressly authorized to make any such supplemental order pending the appeal as will defeat the appeal and prevent a hearing in the appellate court.

When the bill was presented in Congress an amendment was offered concerning the commitment of children to private and sectarian institutions, providing that all such institutions must be subject to regular inspection by authority of law. To this very necessary safeguard a Romanish Congressman from Boston strongly objected because this shut out Roman Catholic institutions, and on that ground the amendment was defeated.

This plot to entrap the children for unsuspected popish prisons is one of the many schemes of the Roman hierarchy to "make America Catholic." Let every patriot make his influence felt and urge his congressmen to defeat these infamous measures. No time should be lost, for Rome never slumbers, and while indifferent Protestants are dallying and minimizing the danger, the papal contingent in Congress is alert and boldly aggressive. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

Patriot.

WHO IS WISE?

Certainly not the man who neglects his greatest interests, nor the man who forgets that his greatest interests embrace eternity.

If God's word teaches anything plainly, it teaches that this life is only the beginning of an endless life.

Is that man wise who lays up his treasures on earth, and goes into eternity bankrupt, as Dives did?

Jesus told the rich young ruler how to lay up his treasures in Heaven, but he was not wise enough to do it. His "name is legion."

Even "the children of light" are not as wise as they should be. But some of them are. May I mention a few? Two wise women founded the Highland Orphans' Home, and won a Kingdom in Heaven. Miss Leona Blake, built the splendid Dormitory at Highland College, and has gone to a mansion in glory. Miss Broadhead, of New England, built the boys dormitory at Highland College, and put over a thousand dollars in the new one at Stuart Robinson College. Mrs. Brooks, gave the money that founded the Institute at Canoe, Kentucky. Mrs. Stoker built the Chapel and Mission House at Haddix Fork. Mrs. Avery built the Canyon Falls Academy. Mrs. Wardwell built the Mission at Shoulder Blade. Mrs. Haney founded the Stuart Robinson College. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley built the Church and Mission House at Elkatawa. Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Robinson, Miss Cunningham, Miss Mattie D. Todd, Miss Maxon, Mrs. Barr, Mrs. McElree, Miss Harbison, Mrs. Truax, Mrs. Blakey, Mrs. Penrose and Messers. Dickinson, Graham, Hamilton, and others gave largely to the Lord's work among the Highlanders. Time would fail to enumerate them all.

These wise men and women live in far distant sections of the country, from Maine to California, and even to the Sandwich Islands. A number of these have gone to their kingdom and crown in Heaven, where they laid up their treasures.

If some wise reader of this article wishes to follow these noble examples, may I mention where he can make the best investment. We sadly need a Hospital at Stuart Robinson College, in reach of tens of thousands of poor Highlanders without such an institution. We also need another dormitory there, and an extension to Highland College, now over crowded. We badly need an Industrial Department at both these institutions. We need more land at Highland Orphan Home. We need a dormitory at the flourishing Canyon Falls Academy. We need means to build churches at Jackson and Hazard, the most important centers of work, in the Cumberland Mountains.

Besides all these, we need means to pay current expenses of all our Missions in the Allegheny and Cumberland Mountains, of four states.

We have mentioned the most pressing wants of the work. God has the money in somebody's hand! Are you not that somebody?

If you believe in "laying up your treasures in Heaven," we will be happy to hear from you, and select the place of your investment.

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P. S. All this work is under the supervision of the Assembly's Home Mission Committee.

Use the opportunities you have. God will never ask you what you have done with those you never had.—Alex. M. Hadden.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

By A Layman.

Now that we are approaching the balmy days of spring, and the Sunday Excursion is soon to be inaugurated, it seems to be a proper time for us to take our bearings, and determine what is to be our attitude towards, and participation in, those things which, on God's Holy Day, conflict with our profession as followers of Christ. We believe that the Bible is the Word of God, and that it reveals His will, that to disobey its teachings is to sin and to entail upon us the penalties it threatens. Such being the fact we should be greatly concerned as to what God means when He commands us to "keep the Sabbath Day Holy." All Christians are agreed that the chief end of man is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever. To be able to do this we must know Him, and to enjoy Him we must seek Him. The Bible reveals Him, and we are enjoined to "Search the Scripture for these are they which testify of Me." One day of the seven He has set apart for this very purpose, and His infinite wisdom, and love, is back of the command to devote it to His service; and, if we would seek His favor, we must do His will by using the means of grace He has provided. There is no other way if we would walk with God. The history of all the past shows that those who have honored God, God has honored; and those who have disobeyed Him, have suffered for it. "His favor is life and His loving kindness is better than life."

There is no chance for misinterpreting this Commandment. It applies to all men alike, but for the Christian to break it must be a greater sin than for the ignorant heathen.

One might feel that he could worship God while looking upon nature in the midst of the throng, "on pleasure bent." What about the example? Is it not true that all alike at the resorts where Sunday crowds gather are thoughtless as to their responsibility to God, and pervert the day to secular uses? Evidently God's will is that the Sabbath day should be set apart as a day of rest and meditation on His Word, and for public worship, whereby His people may grow in grace, and in a knowledge of His will. To use it for other purposes is displeasing to Him. Already we have reached the danger point in our desecration of God's Day, and the sins of God's people are great along that line. Let us call a halt, and "right about face," ere He deal with us, as He did with His ancient people. Read His promises, and His threatenings, in the scriptures following:

Exodus 23-25. 31-14. 35-2. Leviticus 26-2. Ezekiel 20-21, 22-8. Isaiah 56-2 and Isaiah 58-13, 14. "If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath from doing thy pleasure on my Holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord honorable; and shalt honor Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words, then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee upon the heritage of Jacob thy father, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."

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If I have failed in my lifelong effort to live the Christian life and render Christian service, I know the fault is mine and not the Master's; but nothing can rob me of the blessing of having tried.